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Proceedings of the Board of Stewards for the period of Monday, February 04, 2008 through Sunday, February 10, 2008. Steward Michael W. "Wayne" Oke was the Reporting and Duty Steward for the enclosed period.

#### **Monday**

02/04/08 (1) **Dark Day** 

## **Tuesday**

## 02/05/08 (1) **Draw for February 08 and February 09, 2008**

The race office was open this morning accepting entries for Friday. February 08, 2008 and Saturday. February 09, 2008. The box closed at 9:00 a.m. At approximately 1:30 p.m. the draw was conducted for Friday. There were one hundred one (101) horses drawn to compete in thirteen (13) events. Scratch time will be tomorrow February 06, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. Following was the draw for Saturday, February 09, 2008 in which ninety two (92) horses were drawn to compete in ten (10) events. Scratch time for this program will be tomorrow (February 06, 2008) at 9:00 a.m.

## 02/05/08 (2) Siegel Injury/Driver Changes

Driver David Siegel contacted the stewards at approximately 10:00 a.m. today to inform the stewards that he had suffered a broken collarbone in an equestrian accident. As a result, he will be sidelined for an extended period of time. This will necessitate four (4) driver changes on Thursday 02/07/08.

#### 02/05/08 (3) **Dark Day**

#### Wednesday

## 02/06/08 (1) Scratch Time for Friday February 08, 2008

Scratch time was at 9:00 a.m. today. There were six (6) driver changes and no scratches.

## 02/06/08 (2) Scratch Time for Saturday February 09, 2008

Scratch time was at 9:00 a.m. today. There were six (6) driver changes and two (2) scratches.

## 02/06/08 (3) **Draw for Qualifying Races on February 07, 2008.**

The race office accepted entries today for qualifying races to be held Thursday at 4:30 p.m. There were nineteen (19) horses scheduled to compete in four (4) qualifying races.

## 02/06/08 (4) **Dark Day**

## **Thursday**

## 02/07/08 (1) **Jason Maier Film Review/Chin Strap Violation**

Driver Jason Maier appeared in the steward's office to address the matter of having his chin strap properly fastened.

Driver Maier, driving #4 "Cherry Tree Rojo", Saturday. February 2<sup>nd</sup>, in the 6<sup>th</sup> race, was observed going into the first turn with his chin strap unfastened. In mid stretch Driver Maier's helmet flew off and was run over by #5 "Scarlet Ohio", driven by Luke Plano. Driver Maier was very straightforward in taking responsibility for the incident and promised to exercise more caution in the future. After this informal hearing the stewards issued the following ruling:

#### **Ruling # 28**

Driver Jason Maier, who drove "Cherry Tree Rojo" in the Sixth Race on Saturday, February 02, 2008 is hereby fined the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) for Violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1689 (Safety Helmets Required – Improperly Fastened).

#### 02/07/08 (2) **Qualifying Races**

There were four (4) qualifying races contested at 4:30 p.m. under the supervision of Stewards McLaren and Meyers. Fifteen (15) horses were successful in their qualifying effort.

## 02/07/08 (4) **Tim Maier/Chin Strap**

As the horses left the paddock for Race #3 the stewards observed the driver of #4 "London Calling", Tim Maier, with his chin strap unfastened.

Driver Maier was contacted at the conclusion of the race and informed of the following sanction:

## **Ruling # 30**

Driver Tim Maier, who drove "London Calling" in the Third Race on Thursday, February 07, 2008 is hereby fined the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50)

for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1689 (Safety Helmets Required – Improperly Fastened).

## 02/07/08 (5) Track Veterinarian Henry Cook

Racing commenced today without the presence of veteran Track Veterinarian Dr. Henry Cook. Dr. Cook has left the employ of Sacramento Harness Association. He will be missed by his many friends at Cal-Expo. Dr. Cook has been ably replaced by Dr. Audrey Clifton.

## 02/07/08 (6) **Clean Card**

With the exception of the aforementioned, we had a clean card with good competitive racing.

## 02/07/08 (7) **Program Changes**

2<sup>nd</sup> Race Driver Change - #4 Luke Plano for David Siegel
 3<sup>rd</sup> Race Driver Change - #5 Steve Wiseman for David Siegel
 4<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #2 "Pearl City" - Trainer James Wilkinson Refund: \$8 Injured - Dr. Robert Goodbary
 8<sup>th</sup> Race Driver Change - #9 Jim Lackey for David Siegel
 10<sup>th</sup> Race Driver Change - #2 Luke Plano for David Siegel

## 02/07/08 (8) Attendance and Handle

Attendance	247
Live Handle (On Track)	\$31,052
Handle (In State)	\$385,906
Handle (Out of State)	\$262,106
Total Handle	\$679,064

#### Friday

## 02/08/08 (1) Steward's Office Visit/Rick Plano

Driver Rick Plano appeared in the steward's office to inform the stewards that he was experiencing back problems but would try to honor his driving assignments unless it became physically impossible.

#### 02/08/08 (2) **Fifth Race – Claim**

#7 "Tycoon Ernesto" was claimed from George Reider by Frank Petrelli and Owen Eiler for \$3,000.

#### 02/08/08 (3) Sixth Race - Inquiry/No Change

The stewards posted the inquiry after Race #6 to investigate an incident at the 3/4 pole involving #4 "Cherry Tree Blue" (Tim Maier) and #1 "Special Season" (Scott Cisco) and #8 "Smokin Dragon" (Luke Plano). After viewing films and talking to Starter Bill Vallandingham the stewards determined that the incident was caused by #8 "Smokin Dragon" 'stopping' dramatically, jamming up #1 and #4. The incident was, in the steward's view, unavoidable and the finish order was unchanged. #8 "Smokin Dragon" was placed on the steward's list and must qualify before racing in a pari-mutuel event.

## 02/08/08 (4) Rick Plano – Injury/Driver Changes

Driver Rick Plano contacted the stewards at the conclusion of Race #8 and stated that he would be unable to continue due to his back problems. Substitute drivers were named on Plano's last four (4) driving assignments.

## 02/08/08 (5) **Program Changes**

6<sup>th</sup> Race Program Correction - #7 "Astonished"

Should read 1<sup>st</sup> time Lasix

9<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #7 "Pleasecashmybett" – Trainer Dario Solares

Refund: \$15 Lame – Dr. Robert Goodbary

13<sup>th</sup> Race Program Correction - #4 "Spicey Lady"

Should read off Lasix

 $13^{\text{th}}$  Race Declaration - #8 "Johnnys Little Bro" – Trainer Haywood Luster

Refund: \$1 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

## 02/08/08 (6) **Attendance and Handle**

Attendance	358
Live Handle (On Track)	\$ 52,902
Handle (In State)	\$521,440
Handle (Out of State)	\$368,005
Total Handle	\$942,347

#### Saturday

## 02/09/08 (1) Clean Card/Plano Returns

Driver Rick Plano returned this evening to honor his driving commitments after successful treatment of his back problems. Otherwise there were no notable incidents during the twelve (12) race program.

## 02/09/08 (2) **Program Changes**

9<sup>th</sup> Race Declaration - #2 "Lu Lu's Dreamer" – Trainer Rick Plano Refund: \$2 Injured – Dr. Robert Goodbary

#### 02/09/08 (3) Attendance and Handle

Attendance 450
Live Handle (On Track) \$54,904
Handle (In State) \$598,652
Handle (Out of State) \$364,523
Total Handle \$1,018,079

#### **RULINGS ISSUED THIS WEEK**

02/07/08

Trainer Frank Petrelli, who was the trainer of the horse "Garland Bot Joefee" who was programmed to race in the Third Race on November 17, 2007, is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1874(3)(4) (Disorderly Conduct – Any Behavior That Impedes Others from Performing Their Duties and/or Any Behavior That is Detrimental to the Public and Racing ).

02/08/08 28 Driver Jason Maier, who drove "Cherry Tree Rojo" in the Sixth Race on Saturday, February 02, 2008 is hereby fined the sum of

Fifty Dollars (\$50) for Violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1689 (Safety Helmets Required – Improperly Fastened).

02/08/08 29 Trainer Frank Petrelli is hereby fined the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1930 (Refusing to Obey the Orders of a Drivers Room Security Person) on November 16, 2007 at Cal-Expo in Sacramento,

California.

02/08/08 30 Driver Tim Maier, who drove "London Calling" in the Third Race on Thursday, February 07, 2008 is hereby fined the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1689 (Safety Helmets Required – Improperly Fastened).

## WEEKLY SUMMARY

# **ATTENDANCE**

REPORT -The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this

reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

#### **VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES**

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
7-Feb	4	2	PEARL CITY	WILKINSON	Injured	Goodbary	\$8.00
8-Feb	9	7	PLEASECASHMYBETT	SOLARES	Lame	Goodbary	\$15.00
	13	8	JOHNNYS LITTLE BRO	LUSTER	Injured	Goodbary	\$1.00
9-Feb	9	2	LU LU'S DREAMER	PLANO	Injured	Goodbary	\$2.00

## **WEEKLY HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES**

Bakersfield	\$ 10,809.20
Bay Meadows	\$ 93,643.40
Eureka	\$ -
Fresno	\$ 8,065.10
Fresno Club One	\$ 4,329.70
Golden Gate	\$ 53,584.50
Monterey	\$ 10,877.50
Pleasanton	\$ 32,333.80
Sacramento	\$ 112,511.70
San Jose	\$ 47,535.70
Santa Rosa	\$ 12,357.20
Stockton	\$ 31,369.60
Tulare	\$ 797.80
Turlock	\$ -
Vallejo	\$ 25,728.50
Racing Fairs	\$ -
So. California	\$ -
Out of State	\$ 994,632.80

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# **SUMMARY**

## 2008

	Mon 02/04	Tues 02/05	Wed 02/06	Thurs 02/07	Fri 02/08	Sat 02/09	Sun 02/10	Total Week	Total Meet
Accidents	D	D	D	0	0	0	D	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A	A	A	0	0	0	A	0	0
Claims	R	R	R	0	1	0	R	1	7
Disqualification's	K	K	K	0	0	0	K	0	9
Inquiries	D	D	D	0	1	0	D	1	20
Refunds	A	A	A	1	2	1	A	4	106
Rulings	Y	Y	Y	1	3	0	Y	4	30

Stewards Attendance: Stewards Oke, McLaren and Meyers were in attendance.

All drivers submitted to a breath analyzer test.

Michael W. ''Wayne'' Oke, Stewar
Brent McLaren, Steward
Will Mevers, Steward